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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Applicant provides the following summaries of the enclosed prior art, along with a Form PTO-1449, all of which are enclosed. The statement is submitted under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56 and 1.97(b)(1).

U.S. Patent No. 5,310,071 (Rivlin et al.) discloses a dual-purpose sealable food container building block element comprising an upper portion and a bottom portion, the upper portion being open, characterized in that at least one of the portions is provided with at least one connecting member, such that a plurality of the container/elements are connectable to one another by engaging the connecting members and sliding toward each other along the connecting members, for use of the container/elements as a toy after completing original use as a food container.

U.S. Patent No. 5,193,683 (Key) discloses a stackable rectangular cylinder for use as a container for food service and as a children's toy for erecting structures. The container includes a

top wall and an opposed bottom wall, sidewalls and end walls, and a partition which divides the space therein. A plurality of tabs defined by opposing sides of the end walls and partition extend through and beyond paired collinear slits in the sidewalls. A first pair of tabs on each opposing edge of the end walls and partition is adapted to be engaged by elastic bands which bridge unslitted portions of the associated sidewall to releasably maintain the divided enclosure.

U.S. Patent No. 5,984,755 (Avey) relates to a combination play station and container. In its broadest context, the invention includes a receptacle with a number of flaps secured thereto. Additionally, the receptacle includes a number of smaller containers which are slidably secured thereto.

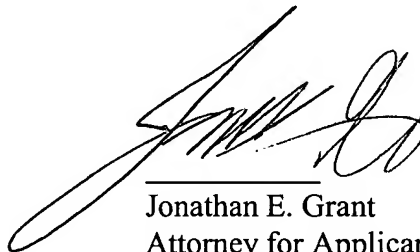
U.S. Patent No. 5,330,379 (Roh et al.) discloses a toy that can be stored as a sofa having a bench, a backrest and a headrest and that can be taken apart to build structures large enough for a child to crawl through or play in. The toy is a construction set with a plurality of first, second and third pieces. The first pieces form the bench, the second pieces form the backrest and the third pieces form the headrest. The pieces are solids with planar faces and are rearrangeable into a play house having sidewalls, gables and a roof wherein the first pieces form the sidewalls, the second pieces form the roof and the third pieces form the gables. Pairs of fasteners of opposite gender are arranged on the faces of the first, second and third pieces for joining the pieces into the sofa, the play house and other structures. Even numbers of pairs of fasteners of opposite polarity are provided for joining the pieces in more than one orientation.

U.S. Patent No. 4,624,383 (Moore) discloses interlocking environmental container which allows milk, juice and various food containers to be saved for use as building blocks for such items as children's toys, lawn furniture or sheds. Tongue and groove construction of one pair of opposing

sides combined with top and bottom mounting means and special corner pieces allows the containers to be built into semi-rigid structures.

U.S. Patent No. 5,984,634 (Chang) discloses a kit for building objects from block-like construction pieces comprising a plurality of construction pieces, each having a core made of resilient flexible foam material and having a plurality of planar faces, an outer cover snugly fitting over and completely covering the outer peripheral surface of the foam core made of a looped fabric and a plurality of double-sided hooked surface tabs for lockingly engaging with the loop fabric so that the construction pieces may be releasably assembled to one another and reinforcing strips adapted to be removably connected to tabs for bridging adjacent blocks.

Respectfully submitted,

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